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SUB: CIVAIR BILATERAL WITHIVORY COAST

REF: A. STATE 086453, B. ABIDJAN 3243

1. EMBOFF MET WITH SAVANE APRIL12 TO DISCUSS ISSUES
IN LIGHT OF INFO SUPPLIED REFTELA.

2. FYI. THERE ARE NO INDICATIONS THAT SAVANE WILL LEAVE
OFFICE IN FORESEEABLE FUTURE, AND HE SEEMS TO ENJOY THE
CONFIDENCE OF HIS MINISTER, ALTHOUGH HIS POSITION ON CERTAIN
MATTERS IS, BY HIS OWN ADMISSION, MORE FAVORABLE TO PANAM'S
INTERESTS THAN THAT OF THE MINISTER. POINT IN REFTEL B IS THAT
HE IS MOST COOPERATIVE PERSON IN GOIC ON CIVAIR MATTERS.
END FYI.

3. EMBOFF HAS MADE IT CLEAR THATPOST IS NOT IN A
POSITION TONEGOTIATE DIFFERENCES, AND IS ONLY CHARGED
WITH REPORTING ON VIEWS OF PARTIES.

4. SAVANE STATES THAT HE DISCUSSED ARTICLE 9 CAPACITY
ISSUE WITH MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORT

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DESIRE BONI, AND THAT BONI STATED HE HAD NO PRIOR

OBJECTION TO RELEGATING CAPACITY CALUSE TO SIDE UNDERSTANDING, AND THAT RESERVATIONS ABOUT PUBLICATION OF THE UNDERSTANDING MIGHT BE WAIVED. BONI WILL SUBMIT ISSUE TO THE PRESIDENCY FOR A FINAL RULING ON FORMAL IVORIAN POSITION. IVORIANS WOULD IN NO EVENT PERMIT UNREGULATED COMPETITION BETWEEN AIR ARIQUE AND PANAM ON BASIS OF "FAIR AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY" WITHOUT CAPACITY LIMITATIONS, AS THEY FEAR AIR AFRIQUE CANNOT COMPETE ON EQUAL TERMS WITH PANAM AND THAT SUCH A REGIME WOULD CONSITUTE PER SE UNFAIR COMPTITION. (THIS WOULD NOT, AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, PREVENT PANAM FROM HAVING MORE FLIGHTS PER WEEK THAN AIR AFRIQUE).

5. ARBITRATION (ARTICLE 13) POSTIONS EXPRESSED BY PARA THREE REFTEL A ARE NOT CONSISTENT WITH SAVAN'S RECOLLECTIONS. HE STATED THAT USE OF WORDS " THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 15 WILL APPLY" RATHER THAN"...MAY APPLY" MIGHT HAVE MADE US PROPOSAL MORE PALATABLE TO HIS SIDE, IRRESPECTIVE OF THE ISSUE OF A PRIOR DETERMINATION OF MATTERS TO BE SUBMITTED TO ARBITRATION PANEL.

6. AS DEPT AWARE PANAM'S CURRENT AUTHORITY FOR SECOND FREQUENCY EXPIRES APRIL 30. SAVANE STATED THAT WHILE HE PERSONALLY SUPPORTS EXTENSION OF RIGHTS THROUGH DEC 31, 1976, DECISION WILL BE MADE BY MINISTER BONI AND THAT, IN ANY EVENT, EXTENSION BYOND DEC IS CONTINGENT ON SIGNING OF BILATERAL BY THAT TIME. HE RECOMMENDED MID-OCTOBER VISIT BY US NEGOTIATING TEAM TO COMPLETE WORK TOWARDS BILATERAL, A TIMING WHICH WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO EMBASSY.

7. NOW THAT SAVANE HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS WITH MINISTER BONI THE RECENT CIVAIR CONSTULATIONS IN THE US, AMBASSADOR WILL CALL ON MINISTER BONI NEXT WEEK AS INSTRUCTED BY THE DEPT.
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